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Dear Members of the F.C.C.:

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Where to begin with children's T.V. and keep it short at the same time? I'll stick to one point for now... families.

How about programming that features the nuclear family of a mom, dad and kids who emulate those qualities and values we all miss in so much of our culture today? Values of faithfulness, responsibility, respect for others, personal integrity, modesty and honesty to name a few. In fact, why stop at children's programming when considering these topics? We might just be surprised at the results of way less violence and a new, blatant aversion to premarital and extramarital sex as themes for programming.

Sincerely,

Linda Keltner

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I am pleased to hear that you are re-examining your standards for children's television programs. (MM Docket # 93-48)

As an educator, I am aware of the negative impact that many of the current programs have on the social development of young children.

I feel that shows depicting violence as a way to handle social conflicts to be inappropriate for children. These types of shows de-sensitize children to the real horrors of violence, and they reinforce anti-social behavior.

I feel that appropriate programs for children should involve one (or all!) of the following elements:

1. wholesome entertainment (sing alongs, puppets, magic shows, etc.)
2. story plots involving characters who solve conflicts peacefully
3. educate and inform (about nature, other cultures, etc.)

I consider the following programs to be examples of excellent programs for children:

Reading Rainbow (PBS)
Shining Time Station (PBS)
Lambchop Play - Along (PBS)

Thank you for your efforts to improve the quality of children's television.

Sincerely,

Sally C. Shank

*a 15 yrs Head Start
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Dear Secretary,

I try to have my children watch our PBS stations only. I think stations should broadcast only shows that contain non-violent, non-stereotyped themes with some educational (and entertainment) value. Batman, GI Joe, even Looney Toons perpetuate violence. I won't even let my kids watch Garfield because he's so sassy. I'm tired of shows that have a little "lesson" for children at the end when the show itself does not promote good moral, ethical values. It disturbs me to have my children

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watch a show and have a commercial for
another (adult) ~~show~~ show be broadcast
showing murder, rape, overt love scenes,
screaming, etc. This frightens my
children (ages 3-5) and these are shows.